

MEDINA, WASHINGTON

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

Hybrid - Virtual/In-Person Medina City Hall - Council Chambers 501 Evergreen Point Road, Medina, WA 98039 Tuesday, October 28, 2025 – 6:00 PM

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Planning Commission Chair Laura Bustamante called the Planning Commission meeting to order in the Medina Council Chambers at 6:02pm.

PRESENT

Commission Chair Laura Bustamante Commissioner Julie Barrett Commissioner Evonne Lai Commissioner Mark Nelson Commissioner Brian Pao (arrived 6:04pm)

ABSENT

Commission Vice-Chair Shawn Schubring Commissioner Li-Tan Hsu

STAFF

Bennett, Findlay-Reitan, Nickle, Swanson, Wilcox, Yormick

2. APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

ACTION: By consensus, the meeting agenda was approved as presented.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.1 Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of October 14, 2025

Recommendation: Adopt Minutes.

Staff Contact: Rebecca Bennett, Development Services Coordinator

ACTION: Motion to approve the meeting minutes as amended. Motion passed 4-0

Motion made by Commissioner Nelson, Seconded by Commissioner Barrett. Voting Yea: Commission Chair Bustamante, Commissioner Barrett, Commissioner Lai, Commissioner Nelson

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

4.1 Staff/Commissioners

Director of Development Services, Steve Wilcox, reported that the primary project currently underway is the Critical Areas Ordinance. He also reminded the Commissioners that he attended an Affordable Housing Panel held in Kirkland last week.

Chair Bustamante noted that she distributed an article regarding the City of Duvall's position on Affordable Housing. She also mentioned that the City Council is having discussions on gas powered leaf blowers.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Planning Commission Chair Bustamante opened the public comment period. Public comment was made by Medina resident Mark Mowat. Public comment was made by Medina resident Kristen Edelhertz. Chair Bustamante closed the public comment period.

6. DISCUSSION

6.1 Concerns of the Commission

None were heard.

6.2 Critical Areas Ordinance Update

Recommendation: Discussion only

Staff Contact: Steven Wilcox, Development Services Director with Staff from our consultant Dan Nickel, Kim Frappier, and Douglas Yormick

Facet gave Power Point presentation and went through the most recent draft of the Critical Areas Ordinance. Commissioners discussed and asked questions.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Next Planning Commission Meeting: November, 18, 2025 at 6:00 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 9:04pm.

ACTION: Motion to adjourn. Approved 5-0.

Motion made by Commissioner Barrett, Seconded by Commissioner Pao. Voting Yea: Commission Chair Bustamante, Commissioner Barrett, Commissioner Lai, Commissioner Nelson, Commissioner Pao